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PATENT

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Client Reference No.: F102.P2.US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

09/894,858

Confirmation No.: 3682

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Examiner: Albert William Paladini

Patent No.: 6,885,982

Art Unit: 2125

Issued: April 26, 2005

For: Object Oriented Microfluidic
Design Method And System

REQUEST FOR EXCUSE OF ERROR

Customer No.: 20350

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants, without intent to deceive, erroneously failed to notify the Office upon payment of the issue fee that they are no longer claiming small entity status. Excuse of the error is requested. 37 CFR § 1.28(c).

The following is an itemization of the total deficiency payment due.


Payment	Small Entity Amount Paid	Current Large Entity Amount	Deficiency
Issue Fee	\$700 (2/16/05)	\$1400	\$700
Total			\$700

Adjustment date: 09/30/2005 SLUANG2
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It is, thus, believed that the deficiency amount owed is \$700. Including the \$130 processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i), the total amount due for excuse of the error is believed to be \$830, which the Office is authorized to deduct from Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Should the amount due be determined by the Office to be otherwise, the Office is authorized to deduct the determined amount from Deposit Account No. 20-1430. This Request is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



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